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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 19, line 7, to read as follows:

The amount of eccentricity e of the crank pin 15e with respect to the rotary center line 24 of the motor 7 and the rotary center line 25 of crank arm 15 is half a properly determined stroke within which the chopper blade 3 reciprocates vertically between top dead and bottom dead points.

Please amend the paragraph, beginning at page 19, line 23, to read as follows:

The crank arm 15 is connected to the blade holder 16 via a link 17. Specifically, one end of the link 17 is rotatably attached to the tip end of the crank pin 15e via a bearing 17a. The other end of the